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Oregon Grown BULBS

OREGON GARDENS

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Bulb List, Fall 1931

Lilies, Erythroniums
Snowdrops, Grape Hyacinths
Scillas, Fritillarias, Trilliums
Cats Ears, Jack in the Pulpits
Etc., Etc.

Transportation Prepaid in U. S.

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The Pacific Coast, with its mild winters and cool summers, has an ideal climate for growing lilies. These are mostly children of the Temperate Zone and, except a few tropical species, can all be successfully grown out-of-doors in this territory.

Portland is almost the exact center of the commercial lily-growing section of the Northwest and we are therefore in an exceptionally favorable position to supply your wants. Bulbs, particularly lily bulbs, are better for replanting as soon as thoroughly ripened and the sooner they are planted after lifting the better for the bulb.

Lillies grow easily and satisfactorily. No one can afford to be without an assortment of the "Queen of Flowers" in his plantings. Their regal appearance, lasting qualities and often wonderful fragrance win for them the title. They can be planted in shrubbery deep enough to escape the cultivating tools and at the proper time will make a showy display above the shrubs.

We are now able to offer a remarkable selection of home-grown lilies and deliver them at your garden, without a long sea journey, ready for planting.

SEVEN REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD GROW LILIES

They are the most showy of all flowers.

Their culture is simple and they require little attention once established.

They are remarkably free from disease and insect pests.

They are long lived. Bulbs, of most of the species, last for years, showing better spikes and more flowers each season.

They are ideal for providing second periods of bloom when planted in early flowering shrubbery of medium height. They do better when so planted.

Each species flowers over a long period and varieties can be selected to provide bloom at any season from June to November.

They can be planted deeply, so that they offer no obstacle to successful cultivation of perennial borders or shrub plantings.

CULTURE SUGGESTIONS

Lilies need drainage. If your garden will produce good healthy perennials of the usual varieties, most lilies will do well in it. Where soils are too heavy and retentive of water a little gravel below the bulb and a few handfuls of sand about the bulb will often provide the necessary drainage.

Plant deeply unless otherwise directed, with the top of the bulb at least five inches below the surface. Plant preferably in the shade of bushes of medium height or leafy perennials. Lilies delight in coolness for the bulbs. The protection of shrubs or other plants shields them from sudden changes in temperature. The stalks will come through the other plants to hold the flowers in the sunlight. Do not plant a two-foot lily in shrubbery that normally grows six feet, but see that proper proportions are maintained.

Plant about a foot apart in groups of three to a dozen, depending on the size of your garden

and the other flower masses in your planting. One lily scarcely makes a show.

Blooming seasons are approximate for Portland and vary somewhat each year.

Most deliveries made in October and transportation prepaid. Send in your order early and secure this good American grown stock.

JUNE BLOOMING LILIES

Lilium browni odorum

A late June to July bloomer. Long narrow dark green foliage with 3 to 4-foot stems each with several large trumpet-shaped flowers, clear white within and tinted outside with purplish maroon. A little-known lily. Plant 5 inches deep. \$1.00 each, \$10.00 a dozen.

Lilium candidum

Early June bloomer, 3 to 4 feet. The familiar Madonna or St. Joseph lily. Beautiful waxen-white trumpets and short light green foliage. Plant shallow with the bulbs barely covered with soil and in the fall only. In our territory this lily sends up its basal leaves in September and growth continues all winter. An especially pleasing picture can be provided by planting this lily massed against a background of blue delphinium. 30c each, \$3.00 a dozen.

Lilium columbianum

Late June bloomer, 4 to 6 feet. A native of Oregon with whorls of shiny green foliage and showy pyramids of drooping orange red flowers more or less spotted with irregular reddish spots. Particularly fine for foundation plantings as its vigorous stalks will easily come through five feet of shrubbery. Fall planting, 6 inches. 30c each, \$3.00 a dozen.

Lilium humboldti magnificum

Late June or July bloomer, 5 to 7 feet. A magnificent lily with stout stems decorated at intervals with whorls of leaves and carrying exceptionally fine clusters of showy reflexed flowers, brilliant golden yellow in color with orange to reddish tips to each petal. The entire blossom spotted with purple. Most showy for a foundation planting as it will easily come through five feet of shrubbery. Fall planting, 5 inches deep. 75c each, \$7.50 a dozen.

Lilium tenuifolium

Early June bloomer, 1½ to 2 feet high, with grassy foliage and numerous showy bright scarlet little lilies. Exceptionally good for the rock garden or for planting in such small shrubs as the dwarf heathers, shrubby penstemons. Must have sharp drainage if it is not to disappear in a few seasons. Fall planting, 3 inches deep. 25c each, \$2.50 a dozen.

Lilium testaceum

June bloomer, 5 to 7 feet. The famous Nankeen lily. Foliage much like that of the Madonna but with drooping flowers of dull apricot set off by bright orange anthers. In a class by itself as there is no other lily of this color. Use in color combination with white or pale blue. Plant in fall only and shallow, covering with only one or two inches of soil. \$2.00 each, \$20.00 a dozen.

Lilium umbellatum

June bloomer, 2 feet. A showy upright little lily which should be much more widely grown. It has open upright flowers varying from orange to red, has exceptionally good foliage, multiplies

rapidly and is fine for underplanting dwarf shrubbery. Fall planting, 4 to 5 inches deep. 25c each, \$2.50 a dozen.

Lilium washingtonianum

June bloomer, 4 to 6 feet. An exceedingly showy native species with gracefully formed, intensely fragrant white flowers which turn deep wine color as they age. The foliage is effectively arranged in whorls and it is one of the best native American species. It is a lily of the brushy cover which springs up in old burns on the mountainside. It requires perfect drainage and shade for the bulbs which grow to enormous size. As many as seventy-five flowers have been counted on a single stalk. Fall planting, 8 to 10 inches deep. 50c each, \$5.00 a dozen.

JULY FLOWERING LILIES

Lilium bolanderi.

Late June and early July bloomer, 1½ feet. An odd little lily from the mountains of Southern Oregon and Northern California with whorled leaves and small trumpets of dull red. For a well drained crevice in the rock gardens or interplanting with tiny shrubs in well drained spots. Fall planting, 8 to 10 inches deep. 50c each, \$5.00 a dozen.

Lilium longiflorum

The Easter lily, 3 feet. July bloomer. The Easter lily with its glossy green foliage and long glistening white trumpets is a hardy garden lily in this territory and should be more extensively planted. Plant in fall, 6 inches deep. 35c each, \$3.00 a dozen.

Lilium occidentaleis

July bloomer, 3 to 4 feet. A rare lily from the coast of Oregon and California with pardalinum-like bulbs, whorled leaves and deep dark red somewhat recurved flowers. Practically unknown to gardens but with us an easily grown lily in well drained garden soil. Something new and different. Plant in fall, 4 to 5 inches deep. \$1.00 each, \$10.00 a dozen.

Lilium pardalinum

July bloomer, 5 to 7 feet. Very showy strong growing lilies with whorls of dark green leaves and clusters of strong recurved flowers on 6 or 7-foot stalk. The blossoms are variable but usually deep orange, with maroon spots, the tips of the petals being a rich scarlet. Exceptionally fine for planting in shrub border. The bulbs are curiously formed mats of short scaled crowns and frequently do not flower well the first season. Fall planting, 5 inches deep. 35c each, \$3.50 a dozen.

Lilium pardalinum rozeli

Early July bloomer, 3 to 5 feet. A miniature of the preceding with smaller flowers which are often more yellow than orange and which may or may not have the scarlet tips on the petals. Fall planting, 5 inches deep. 35c each, \$3.50 a dozen.

Lilium parryi

July bloomer, 4 to 6 feet. One of the most distinctive of American lilies with funnel-shaped flowers of softest yellow and conspicuous brown anthers. An excellent lily for interplanting with medium height deciduous shrubbery of the type of the more dainty spiraeas. Fall planting, 4 to 5 inches. \$1.00 each, \$10.00 a dozen.

Lilium philippinense formosum

Slender glossy foliage and long slender trumpets of pure white make this an outstanding lily for out-door culture in this region. Only now beginning to be known. Late July bloomer, 2 to 3 feet. Fall planting, 3 to 5 inches deep. \$1.00 each, \$10.00 a dozen.

Lilium regale (Regal Lily)

The finest garden lily available. Hardy anywhere. The 4-foot stems are amply clothed with long glossy green foliage and have a cluster of showy white trumpets flushed with yellow toward the center and streaked and shaded with brown on the outside. Thoroughly established bulbs occasionally have from 25 to 40 blooms to the stalk. Good for the perennial border or interplanting with shrubbery or massing. Deliciously fragrant. Can be planted in either fall or spring, 6 inches deep. 7 to 8-inch bulbs. 50c each, \$5.00 a dozen.

Lilium superbum

A superb lily with pale yellow to orange spotted with brownish red on the inner surface. A tall vigorous growing sort that follows in blooming the other somewhat similar species. Excellent for shrubbery. Prefers shade and moist but well drained soil. Plant 4 to 6 inches deep. 45c each, \$4.50 a dozen.

Lilium willmottiae

July bloomer, 4 to 6 feet. An exceedingly beautiful and rare lily only now becoming available for garden use. It is an exceedingly graceful lily with slender stem, narrow vivid green foliage and showy clusters of deep orange red flowers, the recurved petals being covered with small brown dots. Often needs staking as the great clusters of flowers are too heavy for one slender stem to hold erect. Fall planting, 6 to 8 inches deep. \$1.00 each, \$10.00 a dozen.

AUGUST BLOOMING LILIES**Lilium auratum (The Gold Banded Lily)**

The enormous open flowers beautifully marked with a yellow band in each petal against a waxy white background, the whole liberally peppered with crimson dots makes this the showiest of all lilies. One seeing it for the first time rubs his eyes in wonder. Especially suited for the edge of the woodlands or for planting in beds of rhododendrons where it makes a glorious mid-summer display against their dark leathery foliage. Fall or spring planting, 6 to 8 inches deep. August bloomer, 4 to 6 feet in height. 35c each, \$3.50 a dozen.

Lilium henryi

A very fine autumn flowering lily with fine foliage and very much recurved flowers of deep orange yellow. Vigorous and dependable, often called the yellow speciosum because of its recurved flowers. Partial shade and good loam. Fall or spring planting, 5 to 6 inches deep. August to September bloomer, 6 to 7 feet. 75c each, \$7.50 a dozen.

Lilium speciosum

The last lily to flower often displaying its striking flowers all through October. There are various forms of this offered, but all have strikingly recurved flowers of white more or less marked with other colors. The ordinary variety which we offer is strikingly marked with deep crimson down the center of each petal. Fall or

spring planting. Plant in full sun some 6 to 8 inches deep. October bloomer, 4 to 6 feet. 50c each, \$5.00 a dozen.

Lilium tigrinum splendens

A very robust form of this old garden favorite with its big waxen salmon orange flowers dotted with glassy black spots. The foliage is thick and glassy green. 4 to 6 feet. Spring or fall planting, 5 to 6 inches deep. 30c each, \$3.00 a dozen.

Lilium tigrinum flors plena

A double flowering form of the above and exceptionally showy. Should be in every garden but care should be used in the placing it in reference to other colors. 4 to 6 feet. Fall or spring planting, 5 to 6 inches deep. 30c each, \$3.00 a dozen.

OTHER BULBS

We grow numerous other small bulbs, dainty things for use in the edging borders, for naturalizing in the edge of shrub plantings or woodlands, tucking into crevices and crannies in the rock garden or for lawn planting.

These bulbs are cheap and make a brave showing, particularly in early spring when color in the garden is looked for so eagerly. They should be planted liberally everywhere. No garden is so small that room can not be found for these dainty flowers.

Allium acuminatum

A showy species with stiff upright stems carrying showy heads of rich red flowers in June, 10 inches high. 50c per dozen.

Allium cerneum

Wide flat flexible leaves and nodding heads of clear pink flowers make this the most attractive of all native onion species. 10 inches. June bloomer. 50c a dozen.

Arisema japonicum

A pale-looking dwarf-growing jack in the pulpit that comes to us under the above name. Fine for naturalizing as it increases rapidly. May and June, 15 inches. \$1.00 a dozen.

Arsema tryphyllum

The well-known and well-beloved jack in the pulpit of the eastern states. Every gardener whose childhood memories go back to the wooded river valleys east of the Rockies will want this old familiar plant for the shady part of the garden. 15 inches high. \$1.00 a dozen.

Brodiaia (Hookera) coronaria

A showy little bulb which produces a stiff little 10-inch stalk which branches and produces two to six or more huge gentian blue trumpets. Poke the tiny bulbs into the crevices in the rockery and be rewarded by a June showing of gentian blue. \$1.00 per dozen.

Calochortus macrocarpus

A huge flowered relative of the showy California mariposa tulips from the arid districts of Eastern Oregon and Washington. Flowers are of three huge petals of lavender, each with a velvety purple spot at the base. Several of these are on each stiff stalk which is some 10 to 15 inches high. June-July bloomer. \$1.00 a dozen.

Calochortus purdyi

A dwarf species of some 6 inches or less with one wide grass-like leaf and several pale lavender cups so filled with hair as to earn it the ap-

propriate name of "cat's ears". These do wonderfully well poked into good soil in tiny crevices in the rockery or naturalized in a well-drained spot in the edge of the woodland. May bloomer. \$1.00 a dozen.

Calochortus nitidus

A creamy white counterpart of macrocarpus with showy violet eyes at the base of each petal. June-July bloomer, 10 to 15-inch. \$1.00 a dozen.

Camassia esculenta

Exceedingly showy bulbs with straw-like flowers of deep blue arranged in an open spike. Foliage is grass-like. Will grow almost anywhere in the sunshine but likes best plenty of moisture. May-June bloomer, 15 to 18 inches. \$1.00 a dozen.

Camassia leichtlinii

A more robust species, growing 3 to 5 feet high with showy spikes of creamy white or pale blue star-like flowers. Habits and needs similar. May bloomer. \$1.00 a dozen.

***Erythronium citrinum* (Lamb tongue, adder tongue, deer tongue, dog-toothed violet, etc.)**

The most showy group of small native bulbs and exceptionally valuable for naturalizing along woodland paths and at the edge of lawn. No native bulb improves more in cultivation, and we are offering selected bulbs that should in nowise be confused with ordinary collected stock. This species has spotted leaves and creamy white flowers with a soft yellow center. April bloomer, 10 inches high. \$1.00 a dozen.

Erythronium giganteum

A species with mottled leaves and huge cream colored flower, often 3 to 5 on a 10-inch stem. April, 10 inches. \$1.00 a dozen.

Erythronium hendersoni

An exceedingly showy species with mottled leaves and beautifully colored flowers. Each petal is tipped with rich lavender while the center of the flower is rich velvety violet. Between the two colors is a band of white in varying width. Often with 5 to 7 flowers on each stalk. April, 12 inches. \$1.00 a dozen.

Erythronium revolutum johnsoni

An exceedingly beautiful species with mottled leaves and clear pink flowers with yellow center. April-May, 10 inches. \$1.00 a dozen.

***Fritillaria recurva* (red bell)**

A showy red and orange fritillaria with thimble-like lily flower on branching stem. Good for planting beneath sprawling brooms and other similar plants that do not make too much fibrous roots. April-May, 12 to 15 inches. \$1.50 a dozen.

***Galanthus elwesii* (Snowdrop)**

The first bulbous flowers to push through the ground in the spring are these little drooping bells with their white petals oddly tipped in green. The blooming season of some 6 to 8 weeks in February and March is a very good reason for the liberal use of this delicate snowdrop. 70c a dozen.

***Muscari botryoides* (Grape hyacinth)**

One of the cheapest and easily grown and at the same time the most valuable of garden flowers. Its dainty spikes of tiny deep blue urns clustered like tiny bunches of grapes retain their beauty for weeks. It can be used effectively as an edging or naturalized as broad masses in the edge of the woodland. It increases rapidly and

becomes more beautiful each year. At our price you can afford to use these liberally. 50c a dozen.

Narcissus golden spur

Exceptionally fine Oregon-grown bulbs of this old favorite early-blooming yellow trumpet variety. \$1.25 a dozen.

Narcissus poeticus recurva (Pheasant eye)

An exceptionally fine fragrant narcissus with white flowers with red recurved cups. April and May bloomer. \$1.00 a dozen.

Ornithogalum narbonsis

Heads of odd, papery white flowers with a curious fragrance on 12 to 15-inch stems. May bloomer. 70c a dozen.

Scilla campanulata

Fine little spikes of pendant blue bells of some 6 to 10 inches. Exceptionally good for providing early masses of blue. Fine with the early-blooming primulas. 70c per dozen.

Scilla nutans (English hairbells)

A wonderful bulb for naturalizing in the woodlands where their arching stems hung with dainty bells make a tossing sea of blue. They increase rapidly. Used also for early edging to borders, etc. One very fine combination being a border of these with a planting of Viola jersey gem or Viola Gus Werming directly back of it. The two will produce a blue edging that will last most of the season. 70c a dozen.

Scilla siberica

The finest early blue of the floral world. Plant them with the Aconite (*Eranthius hyemalis*) for a blue and yellow combination of breath-taking beauty. Or equally effective to mass them about the base of the forsythia. These dainty bulbs are so eager to show their azure loveliness that the buds are bursting open even before the stem is through the ground. March and April bloomer. 70c a dozen.

Trillium chloroptalum

A big robust trillium with pure white sessile flowers set down in the leaf cup. Odd fragrance of fresh grape juice. One of the finest things we have for naturalizing in the woodlands. \$1.00 a dozen.

Trillium ovatum

Another fine trillium somewhat smaller than the above, with flowers in a distinct stem. The blossoms are pure white on opening but change to a rich wine color as they age. Another fine thing for naturalizing. \$1.00 a dozen.

Tulipa clusiana

The lady tulip, a beautiful May blooming tulip with gray leaves and flowers striped in bright rose and white. It should be planted in masses or clumps to be most effective. 15c each, \$1.50 a dozen.